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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 9TH 1909.

It is gratifying to learn from the speech delivered by Mr. FRANK GROVE, the Engineer-in-Chief of the Chinese section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, at the interesting little ceremony which took place at Canton on Wednesday that he sees no reason at present to depart from the terms of his estimate that trains will be running through traffic with the British section on or before July 1st, 1911. This will be nearly twelve months after the date by which the British section is estimated to be completed, but the announcement made by Mr. GROVE is welcome in Hongkong as removing an impression that owing to the delay in starting the Chinese section we might have to wait much longer than twelve months before through connection is established between Kowloon and Canton. There cannot be the slightest doubt that the railway will speedily lead to enormous developments in the district it traverses, and possibly both the Government of Hongkong and the Government of Canton will look at the start, more to the traffic between intermediate stations for the returns than to the through traffic from terminal to terminal. At least it is not very obvious yet to the man-in-the-street how the railway is going to successfully compete with the steamboats for the great passenger traffic that exists between the two. An hour's difference in time of transit is not a matter of serious concern to the average Chinaman,

but the amount of the fare is a matter of great importance. It will probably seem to many that H. E. Sir FREDERICK LUGARD drew a bow at a venture in suggesting that H. E. the Viceroy of Canton might, when the railway is completed, run down to Hongkong after breakfast, take lunch at Government House, and get back to Canton the same evening, with plenty of time to spare for business or pleasure in Hongkong. That will only be possible with express trains from terminal to terminal running at the rate of forty or fifty miles an hour. Nowhere East of Suez, we believe, not even on the trans-Siberian railway, are trains running at that speed at the present time. Yet, if there is to be any considerable through passenger traffic it will only be obtained by greatly reducing the time of transit taken by the river boats. Ordinary trains, stopping at every station along the line of route are not likely to average more than twenty miles an hour. As the entire length of this line will be 112 miles, a speed of twenty miles an hour gives about six hours for the journey against between seven and eight by steamer. Then the cost factor enters into the question. On the German railways in Shantung the passenger rates per mile are 5 cents for the second class, 2½ cents third class, and 1½ cents fourth class. If these rates obtained on the Canton-Kowloon railway the fare of a fourth-class passenger would amount to \$1.40 for the through journey, whereas by steamer the fare for storage passengers is 70 cents, by day boats, and 50 cents by the night boats; and it has been much less when competition was keener. These are questions upon which it is interesting to speculate now, but they will all doubtless be settled in due course in a way calculated to attract a traffic remunerative to the railway. We all know that the railways at present running in China earn good dividends, and as an example of what may be done in South China we have the short length of railway running between Canton and Shanghai, which we understand, shows results that are probably not equalled by any railway of the same mileage in the world. We feel sure that when once the Canton-Kowloon railway is open to traffic all doubts which may now exist as to the probability of its attracting sufficient traffic to cover expenses will speedily be resolved. There can be no doubt that as sections of the great trunk line between Canton and Hankow are completed, and as the mineral wealth of the interior of China is developed, there will be an increasing volume of both freight and passenger traffic over the line to Kowloon, for as His Excellency Sir FREDERICK LUGARD pointed out, it will be of enormous advantage to the Chinese to have railway access to a great emporium of trade like Hongkong, and with good will and hearty co-operation on the part of those who control the two sections of the line we ought to be able to look forward with confidence to the prosperity of the enterprise.

Dr. Jones, a well-known Manila dentist, was stricken with smallpox on Sunday and died the following day.

The Colonial Secretary informs us that Hongkong has been declared an infected port by the authorities of Colombia.

The Earl of Meath addressed the boys of the Penang Free School on the Empire movement when passing through that port.

Colonel "Bob" Love, the manager of Harman's Circus, was attacked by smallpox at Manila. He was removed to the hospital last Saturday.

Another batch of deportees from the Dutch East Indies has reached Hongkong to the number of 41, which number was augmented by 11 from Saigon.

The Straits Cable Trailing Company was proceeded against at Singapore on a charge of having added water and buffalo's milk to the milk sold to the Tan Tok Seng Hospital.

To-day being Good Friday there will be no issue of the Hongkong Daily Press to-morrow, but latest telegrams will be published as usual in the Shipping Extra.

The act authorizing shorter hours for civil service employees in the Philippines during the hot months, passed by the Assembly on March 12, was passed by the Commission without change on April 5th.

By the French mail steamer Tonkin due at Singapore last Monday, Sir Charles Brooke was expected from home. His yacht, the Zohora, was awaiting his arrival, and will convey His Highness to Kuching on return to his territory of Sarawak.

Those who have not yet witnessed the remarkably clever performance of the Japanese jugglers of "enjoyed" their comedy business should not fail to take advantage of the extension of the short season which is being announced. The entertainments are given in the Hongkong cinematograph building (opposite the central market) and will be repeated on Saturday night and later nights.

The Colonial Secretary's Office informs us that quarantine restrictions are now imposed in British North Borneo on arrivals from Hongkong.

It is perhaps not well known that in Hongkong it is prohibited by Ordinance to offer for sale from the month of March to the month of September inclusive any pheasant or partridge. Yesterday at the Magistracy a stallholder in the Central Market was fined \$5 for having sold a brace of pheasants.

At the Sanitary Board on Tuesday Mr. Sheltor Hooper will move the resolution of which he has given notice for the provision of a new cemetery, and there will be read a letter from the Government forwarding a copy of the Bill amending the Public Health and Building Ordinance.

A verdict of accidental death was returned yesterday by the jury which sat with Mr. Kemp at the Magistracy to conduct an inquiry into the circumstances of the death of an excavating coolie who was killed on the 23rd March at Hungshom railway heading by a fall of stone which crushed him. It appears that he was engaged filling waggons of the railway when the stone fell from the hillside and crushed him, death being instantaneous.

In consequence of a telegram received from the police at Penang, Sergt. Wilden went on board the German mail steamer *Buelow* on Wednesday and arrested Leo Goldstein on a charge of being a deserter from the Penang police. He was brought before the Magistracy yesterday and admitted that he was a deserter and also expressed his willingness to return to Penang. His Worship committed him pending the arrival of an escort.

The folly of not letting well alone has been strikingly illustrated at Batavia by a native assassin who, made for a sum of money, murdered a schoolmaster who had made many enemies by practicing the black art. The criminal court before which he confessed his guilt, held that the sum promised proved too great a temptation to be resisted by the assassin, whose greed had been aroused, and that this should count as a mitigating circumstance. The sentence passed was only 20 years hard labour. The assassin hoping for a lighter sentence, appealed, and the court, finding that the criminal court had erred in taking the blood money into account, sentenced the assassin to death.

Some time ago there were complaints in Hongkong that Magistrates were too lenient in dealing with offenders. Manila is now doing a growl that the fines inflicted by some of the judges are too small. The Governor-General, according to the *Cablenews-American*, has received a complaint from the collector of internal revenue of the action of the judges of the courts of first instance in many provinces in assessing small fines on Chinamen and others tried and convicted for opium smoking. He complains that the small fines imposed are rather in the nature of a license to the offender to repeat the offence without breaking the law. The complaint will be referred to the attorney general so that the law may be remedied and the attention of the judges be called to the provision of the law under which a fine of P200 and imprisonment for six months or both may be imposed.

If the gaols in Singapore and Penang were not so unnecessarily comfortable and the prison regime so mild, says the *Penang Gazette*, there would hardly have been an increase, per 100,000 of the population, from 563 in 1907 to 1,000 in 1908. These figures would seem, at first sight, to indicate that one person in every 100 of the population went to goal last year, which would point to a truly appalling state of affairs; that deduction, however, is not correct as of the 5,367 prisoners received 1,265 had previous convictions and some of these were doubtless in more than one instance in the year. But such a large proportion of recidivists is in itself a most disquieting feature and the impression that there must be some thing wrong with the short sentence system, which lets criminals loose, time after time, to prey on Society is confirmed by the official statement that there are now 57 long sentence prisoners classed as habitual, i.e., with more than two previous sentences of over six months.

AN OLD TRICK.

Notwithstanding the publicity given to the dodge, there are still a few simpletons in Hongkong who are victimized by means of what the Chinese call "long shuk" which is a form of riddle. Two men having made up a parcel to look like a bundle of notes, approached some woman on the street and asked if she could direct them to a certain place. The lady, delighted with the prospect of being of some service, says that she is going in the same direction. The trio walk together and after a little time one of the men informs her that this companion has picked up a roll of notes on the steamer but is afraid to go to a money changer. She is a woman and can do it more easily. Thus addressed she expresses her willingness to change the money and on the bundle being handed to her she walks off. She has only proceeded a little way when it occurs to one of the men to ask her if she will let them hold something in security as she is a stranger to them. Nothing loth she usually parts with whatever valuables she possesses, and instances have been known where the simple but avaricious woman have taken the men to their houses and given them practically everything they possessed. In this case the old lady handed over her bag, worth about thirty dollars, and took the rings off her fingers which were perhaps worth another ten dollars. Of course when she opened the parcel at the money changer's she found that it contained nothing but worthless paper. The police are trying to trace the thieves.

TELEGRAMS.

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RAILWAY DISASTER IN JAPAN.

Tokyo, April 8th.

Twenty passengers have been killed or injured in a train disaster near Aomori, the train being blown off the track in a typhoon and falling down the embankment.

[REUTERS' SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG
DAILY PRESS"]

DREADNOUGHTS
FOR AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

LONDON, March 7th.

Fresh impetus has been given to the Naval controversy by the announcement at Berlin that Austria-Hungary has decided to lay down immediately three Dreadnoughts.

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE
NEW RAILWAY LOAN.

LONDON, April 7th.

It is announced that Sir John Jordan has strongly protested to the Waiwapi against the conclusion of the agreement with German bankers for a loan for the Canton-Hankow railway, before the lowest tender has been submitted to Great Britain, in accordance with the engagement of 1905.

CASTRO ENRAGED.

LONDON, March 7th.

The Governor of Trinidad has been instructed not to allow ex-President Castro to land in the Colony.

This enraged Castro who landed at Martinique, the only port in the West Indies from which he is not barred.

AMERICA'S TARIFF REFORM.

LONDON, April 8th.

The Washington House of Representatives has adopted amendments to the Tariff Bill providing that tea shall be admitted duty free and removing the countervailing duty on coffee.

AMERICAN MINISTER TO
CHINA.

LONDON, April 8th.

President Taft has offered ex-Senator Fulton the appointment of American Minister to Peking.

[FROM THE "CHUNG NGOI SAN PO."]

RAILWAY CONCESSION
REFUSED.

PEKING, April 8th.

The Board of Foreign Affairs has refused to grant a concession to a French syndicate for the construction of a railway in Sanchow and the neighbouring province of Kwangsi.

CHINESE POST OFFICE LOSSES.

PEKING, April 8th.

The Revenue Department has discovered that the losses on the Imperial Chinese Post Office for last year amount to more than Taels 100,000.

NAVY REORGANISATION.

PEKING, April 8th.

The Board of Finance proposes to utilise the sum of Taels 3,700,000 derived from the tax on opium, on the reorganisation of the Chinese Navy.

THE WARD COMEDY SEASON.

The record advance booking for Hongkong is to be credited to Mr. Albert Goldie, business manager of the Hugh Ward London Comedy Co. No previous theatrical attraction has been so well heralded, and expectations in regard to the forthcoming season at the Theatre Royal commencing next Monday are running very high. That the first night of the season will mean crowded houses is now almost a certainty, and it is equally sure that if the Company sustains its reputation, its stay in Hongkong will be a satisfactory one.

A cable from Shanghai yesterday stated—Ward's season a record for Shanghai. The closing night was remarkable for enthusiasm and hundreds of people were unable to secure admission. The company leaves by the P and O s.s. *Sumatra* for Hongkong.

SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, April 8th.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR PIGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE.)

DISPUTED PROMISSORY NOTES.

In the action in which 'Taoi Kam proceeded against Chung Tsai, 'Wai to recover \$7521.15 amount alleged to be due with interest on certain promissory notes, an argument arose on a question of Chinese handwriting.

Mr. H. G. Calthrop, instructed by Mr. F. X. d'Almada e Castro (of Messrs. Almadal and Smith) appeared for the plaintiff, the defendant being represented by Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., who was instructed by Mr. C. F. Dixon (of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings).

His Lordship said he had come to the conclusion that it would not be right for him to decide the question of Chinese handwriting without more assistance, therefore he proposed to appoint four persons to assist him in Chambers. Two of them would be Europeans, and two Chinese. He would appoint the two Europeans, and the Registrar-General would appoint the two Chinese. Meanwhile, if the defendant chose he could take the point of law, and a date could be fixed for the argument.

Later, Sir Henry Berkeley appeared in Court and informed His Lordship that Counsel for both parties had consulted as to the course the Chief Justice had suggested, but did not approve of its adoption. The persons called by his Lordship would not have heard the evidence, and there was no procedure by which they could be called.

His Lordship—I can appoint anybody to assist me.

Sir Henry Berkeley—Not unless they sat with you at the time the evidence was heard.

His Lordship—A judge can always get somebody to assist him. I have had an assessor for five days.

Sir Henry Berkeley—Sitting in Court.

His Lordship—I don't want to form an opinion on Chinese handwriting without a little more assistance—impartial assistance. I have no doubt I have the power unless the parties object, and I think it would be unwise to object.

Mr. Calthrop—You can certainly try the evidence as to the signatures, but the assessors must hear the evidence like everybody else in Court.

After further argument Sir Henry Berkeley said Counsel agreed to leave the matter in the hands of His Lordship.

His Lordship stated that he had examined the notes very carefully, and that it was quite clear from the different characteristic strokes in the two sets of signatures, that the signatures were signed by the same hand. That left the question of law to be dealt with later.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

Re Cheung Lai Sang.

Mr. John Hastings, who represented certain creditors, asked his Lordship to take note that the debtor had not obeyed the summons, and that he proposed to move the Court to rescind the receiving order later on.

Mr. G. H. Wakeman, Official Trustee, pointed out that when he applied for the summons under section 20 of the Bankruptcy Ordinance, he asked leave that it might be served at 133 Des Voeux Road Central. That was the address given him at the time, but afterwards he found out that the debtor was not known at 133, Des Voeux Road Central. He asked leave to amend the order.

Permission was granted.

ORDER OF DISCHARGE SUSPENDED.

Re H.M.H. Ishmael trading as Hadjee and Co., ex parte the debtor.

Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro (of Messrs. Goldring, Barlow and Morrell) applied for the debtor's discharge, remarking that the Official Receiver had filed his report.

His Lordship—Does he only want suspension?

Mr. Wakeman—The Court is bound to refuse his discharge. It is only a case of suspension. I have not found that the debtor has committed any offence, but he has been trading and contracted debts after knowing he was insolvent.

His Lordship suspended the discharge for a year, and ordered that at the end of that time the debtor should report himself to the Court.

PUBLIC EXAMINATION.

Re the Yuen On Co., ex parte Ng Sing Wah.

The opening of this public examination was conducted by the Official Receiver.

Ng Ching San, managing partner of the debtor firm, was examined. He said he was the managing partner of the Yuen On contractor firm in Gage Street. There were three partners who subscribed a total capital of \$2,250. Witness gave \$1,000. The business was started about the middle of March, 1907. Chung Sing claimed to be a partner in the firm.

Isn't that a rather curious thing claiming to be a partner in a bankrupt firm?—He used to be managing partner and he ran the whole show. After further questioning, the examination was adjourned.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. H. H. G. GOMPERTZ (PUNISH JUDGE.)

A ST. GEORGE'S CLUB ACTION.

E. A. M. Williams, liquidator of St. George's Club, proceeded against J. Clelland to recover \$25 due under clause 5 of the Memorandum of Association of the Club.

Defendant admitted liability, and judgment was given against him.

CLAIM FOR GOODS SOLD.

Kelly and Walsh, Ld. sued E. B. Shepherd to recover \$61.60 for goods sold and delivered and interest.

W. H. Porcell, accountant in the plaintiff firm, said defendant had been furnished with particulars of the claim. The case was brought forward because the debt was coming under the Statute of Limitations Ordinance. Judgment was entered for plaintiffs with costs.

AN ALLGEGED MISFIT.

Yau Lee, ladies' tailor, sued Lottie Kingsbury to recover \$10.75, the price of making a dress. The defendant counter-claimed \$18.20, value of a piece of silk destroyed.

Plaintiff told the Court that the defendant offered him \$7, but declined to pay the balance. He changed the style of the jacket at her request, and had seen her wearing the dress since.

Defendant denied this. Standing at the bar she pleaded with the permission of a Portia, telling the Court that she told the plaintiff ten thousand times to make the dress all right. The tailor made the dress too small. She complained about this, and the plaintiff said he could remedy matter with another yard of silk. She gave him \$2.20 to buy an extra yard, but he failed to purchase it. The dress was of no use, he could not wear it, and she could not send it to any body.

At this stage of her story his Lordship called defendant to the witness stand, requesting her to speak slowly. Proceeding she said she called the plaintiff to her house to make a dress for her. At her request he produced a "fashions" book. She selected her fashion and handed the tailor fifteen yards of silk, telling him to be "awfully careful" not to spoil the dress. The silk cost her \$2.20 a yard. The dressmaker supplied her with the dress in four days, but it was too small. He promised to make it bigger, took it away, and returned it two days later, but the dress was still too small. Defendant offered the tailor \$7.50 in settlement. He refused to take it and proceeded to insult her, calling her names in his language. She struck him and he took her to the Police Court.

Plaintiff told his Lordship that when he went to defendant's house she nearly broke his head.

His Lordship—Have you any mark? Plaintiff showed a protuberance on the forehead.

Defendant—He has had a boil there for about twelve months.

His Lordship advised defendant to settle the case if possible. He would adjourn the hearing until Friday to enable her to call a tailor to give technical evidence.

A SHIPPING DISPUTE.

The Painsa Judge delivered his reserved decision in the action in which the *Sze Yap Steamship Co.* sued the *Tai Wo Co.* to recover \$155, being as to \$100 damages caused through defendant's boat being anchored too close to plaintiff's wharf, and as to \$55, cost of divers required to remedy such damage.

Plaintiffs were represented by Mr. P. Sydenham Dixon (from the office of Mr. E. A. Harding), while Mr. Bealer Harris (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for the defendant.

His Lordship said:—With the concurrence of the parties I have considered the evidence in this case with the valuable assistance of the Assistant Harbour Master, Lieut. Beckwith. R.N. The facts as given in the evidence are taking them as shortly as possible, as follows:—At 3.20 a.m. on December 4, 1908, the plaintiff Company's steamship *Tak Hing* was proceeding through the Southern Channel on the way to her wharf. Outside, and before commencing to back into the wharf, the captain saw the defendant's boat lying some twenty feet from the side of plaintiff company's private wharf. The nightsoil boat was hailed by the *Tak Hing* without effect, and the *Tak Hing* then came backing into the wharf and picked up as she did so the anchor rope of the nightsoil boat with her starboard propeller. This entailed an expenditure on divers to clear the propeller, and a delay ensued which resulted in loss of passengers. The plaintiff's case is that as the nightsoil boat was lying so as to obstruct the wharf and thereby committing an offence under section 5 (2) of the Merchant's Shipping Ordinance 1906, the defendants must be liable for the consequences and they claim to recover damages for the detention of the vessel and the divers' fees. Now, it is a familiar principle of law that though the defendant may have been in fault, yet the plaintiffs cannot recover if the danger was one which might have been avoided by the exercise of ordinary diligence. I have to enquire, (1) Whether when the captain saw the nightsoil boat close to the wharf, a state of things existed from which he should have inferred that it would be risky to come alongside.

(2) If there was a risk was it one which he was bound to run; was there any other course open to him at the time which a prudent man would have adopted? The answers I have, with the help of Mr. Beckwith, arrived at are as follows:—To the first question: In the circumstances it was not a prudent course for a vessel of the beam of the *Tak Hing* to come into a wharf at the side of which a junk was anchored within twenty feet. With a flood tide and an east wind the junk was probably lying away from her anchor and even if she had been moved out of the way by those on board the *Tak Hing* would be very likely to foul the moorings with her propeller. The answer to the second question is that the risk was not one forced upon the captain in the sense that he was bound to take it. Even if he did not care to go to the other side of the wharf, which was disengaged, it would have been easy for him to drop his anchor outside until the way was clear. No doubt steamers coming in have a good deal of trouble with these boats, especially at night. I expect the captain's past experience had led him to believe that the obstruction might be removed before his vessel reached it. Under the circumstances, however, the plaintiff cannot succeed and I must give judgment for defendants with costs.

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THE COMMITTEE have much pleasure in inviting the Ladies and Gentlemen of the Colony to their Sports at the Race Course by kind permission of the Stewards of the HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB on EASTER MONDAY, 12th inst., commencing at 1 p.m.

There will be two open events:—

Half Mile Flat Race open to European Sailors, Soldiers & Police. 3.15 p.m. Free.

220 yards Championship open to all BONA FIDE Amateurs in the Colony under the rules of the A.A.A. 3.45 p.m.

Entrance \$1.

By Courtesy of the Tramway Co., there will be Special Tram Cars running every 5 minutes between 12.15 p.m. and 2 p.m. as well as on the return journey.

P. M. REMEDIOS, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1909. [595]

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Care of "Daily Press" Office.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1909. [596]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"BUELOW."

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining uncollected after the 14th inst., will be subject to sale.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th inst., at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 18th inst., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MEICHERS & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1909. [5]

WANTED.

A QUALIFIED ACCOUNTANT for an Old Established Firm in Hongkong. Must be willing to assist in Office Work generally and furnish a guarantee.

Apply by letter to—

MANAGER, Hongkong Daily Press.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1909. [551]

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Apply stating terms to—

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Care of "Daily Press" Office.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1909. [578]

ICE

WE HAVE MET THE CUT and are now Selling Ice from our Depot, Nos. 55 & 57, Des Vaux Road Central, for HALF A CENT PER POUND.

We have the ONLY FACTORY IN HONGKONG Manufacturing Ice from DISTILLED WATER and therefore we GUARANTEE ITS PURITY.

ORIENTAL BREWERY LTD.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1909. [474]

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, 1893.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that EDGAR ALLEN & Co., Ltd., of Imperial Steel Works, Tinsley, Sheffield in England have on the 5th day of August, 1908, applied for the registration in Hongkong in the Register of Trade Marks of the following TRADE MARK:—



the name of EDGAR ALLEN & Co., Ltd. to claim to be the Sole Proprietors thereof. The TRADE MARK has been used by the applicants in respect of the following Goods the following Class:—

IRON and STEEL in CLASS 5.

Dated the 6th day of March, 1909.

DEACON, LOOKER & DEACON, Solicitors for the Applicants.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1909, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1908, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 11th April, to the 21st April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1909. [517]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1909, at 12.15 p.m., for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Special Resolution:—

"That the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Society be respectively extended, altered and amended so as to read as shown in the print signed for the purpose of identification by the Chairman of this Meeting and that such extended, altered and amended Memorandum and Articles of Association be henceforth adopted as the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Society to the exclusion of those heretofore prevailing."

Should the above Special Resolution be duly passed, it will be subsequently submitted for confirmation to a further Extraordinary General Meeting, of which Notice will be hereafter given. Prints of the proposed Memorandum and Articles of Association can be seen at the Society's Offices or obtained on application there.

By Order of the Board of Directors, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1909. [544]

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-THIRD ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1909, at 12.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statements of Account to the 31st December, 1908, and of declaring Dividends.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th April, to the 21st April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1909. [526]

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st April, 1909, at 12.45 p.m., for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Special Resolution:—

"That the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company be respectively extended, altered and amended so as to read as shown in the print signed for the purpose of identification by the Chairman of this Meeting and that such extended, altered and amended Memorandum and Articles of Association be henceforth adopted as the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company to the exclusion of those heretofore prevailing."

Should the above Special Resolution be duly passed, it will be subsequently submitted for confirmation to a further Extraordinary General Meeting, of which Notice will be hereafter given. Prints of the proposed Memorandum and Articles of Association can be seen at the Company's Offices or obtained on application there.

By Order of the Board of Directors, C. MONTAGUE EDE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1909. [545]

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's Offices, St. George's Building, on SATURDAY, the 24th April, 1909, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 28th February, 1909, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 24th April, 1909, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1909. [587]

NOTICE.

\$150,000 to Invest on Mortgage: Send Particulars of Securities offered to "X."

Care of "Daily Press" Office.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1909. [537]

DR. M. H. CHAUN.

THE latest Method of the AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY, 35, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A. Hongkong, 17th April, 1907. [415]

SIEN TING

SURGEON DENTIST, No. 10, D'AGUILAR STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Consultation Free.

Hongkong, 21st September, 1905. [504]

INTIMATIONS

BANK HOLIDAYS.

IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS TO-DAY (FRIDAY), the 9th instant (GOOD FRIDAY) and MONDAY, the 12th instant (EASTER MONDAY). Hongkong, 6th April, 1909. [576]

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, all FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS TO-DAY (FRIDAY), the 9th instant (GOOD FRIDAY) and MONDAY, the 12th instant (EASTER MONDAY). By Order, A. R. LOWE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1909. [592]

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

TWELFTH ATHLETIC MEETING.

THE COMMITTEE of the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB request the pleasure of the Company of the Ladies of Hongkong TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 10th April, at 1 p.m., on the HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB GROUNDS (kindly placed at the disposal of the Committee) at the Happy Valley.

Admission to the Ground, Stand and Enclosure (Gentlemen) \$1.

Members of the HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB on presenting Membership Ticket—Free.

No persons other than Officials and Competitors allowed within the Course.

By kind Permission of Lt. Colonel Prior and Officers 13th Rajputs, the Band of the Regiment will play during the afternoon.

FRANK LAMBERT, Hon. Secretary, V.R.C.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1909. [586]

MAGISTRACY

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that a MEETING of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the Colony will be held at the MAGISTRACY, at 2.15 p.m., on TUESDAY, the 13th April, 1909, for the purpose of considering the following application under the Liquor Licences Ordinances, 8 of 1898 and 8 of 1903, viz:—

From one ARTHUR E. GAGUON for a publican's licence to sell by retail intoxicating liquors on premises numbered 2, Pak Shui Wan, under the sign of "THE BLUE VIEW HOTEL."

J. H. KEMP, Police Magistrate.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1909. [569]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the above Club will be held on SATURDAY, the 17th April, 1909, at 12.30 p.m., at the Offices of the Jockey Club on the ground floor of the Hongkong Club Annex, Chester Road.

By Order, T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 3rd April, 1909. [570]

NOTICE.

WE, the Undersigned, a well-established Firm trading in Human Hair, beg to inform the Public that we have now Opened an Office in Hongkong at 127, Des Vaux Road, (first floor). Hereafter our Business was carried on at Ka Yip Chien and Canton, but in the interest of our Patrons, and in order to make ourselves more widely known to prospective purchasers in this part of China, we have thought it advisable to open the above Office for the Transaction of our Hongkong Business. We also desire to make known that the Goods supplied by us are of the best quality procurable and are subjected to a special process of cleaning and drying known only to ourselves.

To prevent imitation and fraud we have adopted a special TRADE MARK an illustration of which appears beneath.

LUN CHEONG & Co., 127, Des Vaux Rd. (first floor), Hongkong. [460]

REMOVAL.

P. CHEUNG, the Best and Oldest Established Gold and Silver Smith, Watchmaker, Jeweller and Engraver, will REMOVE his Store from No. 24, Haiphong (Old Elgin) Road, Kowloon, to No. 56, of the same Street, on 12th April. Patrons are courteously invited to call and inspect the Stock in the New Premises.

PO CHEUNG, Kowloon, 6th April, 1909. [579]

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Hongkong, 27th March, 1909. [37]

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Photographic Goods of every Description in Stock.

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Hongkong, 31st July, 1907. [1448]

INTIMATIONS

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5—A string of several nations flags.

6—Mysterious change of handkerchiefs into umbrella cover.

7—Prof. Kikugoro transforms his body several times. (No one should miss this sight.)

8—Mysterious empty boxes and Daruma.

9—From a plain white cloth, several Japanese paper umbrellas will appear.

10—Japanese dance (Fukusaku Dwarf).

11—Japanese "Geisha" Cherry dance (6 Dancers).

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Doors Open at 8 p.m. Performance 9 p.m. Hongkong, 7th April, 1909. [560]

IN THE ESTATE OF THE LATE THOMAS BROCKETT, Fenchow, China, Storekeeper.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having Claims against the above Estate are required to send particulars of same to the undersigned before the 15th Day of May, 1909. And all persons indebted to the said Estate are required to make immediate payment to me.

F. Wm. SHAW, Attorney for the Executor.

Fenchow, 16th March, 1909. [502]

NOTICE.

MR. CLAUDIUS PEAVIEUX's engagement with our Firm having terminated the 28th February, 1909, his authority to Sign per Procuration then CEASED Messrs P. R. F. CARTER and C. ROBERT are hereby authorized to Sign the Firm jointly per Procuration as from This Date.

HERBERT DENT & Co. Canton, 6th April, 1909. [591]

NOTICE.

WE the Undersigned THE SINCERE Co. or SINCERE & Co. of 215/221, Des Vaux Road, 111, Connaught Road, 172, Queen's Road, and 123, Wellington Street, Hongkong, have This Day Transferred the whole of our Business (concerning together with all our Existing Liabilities, Debts, Claims, Demands, Contracts, and Agreements whatsoever to THE SINCERE Co., Ltd.

On behalf of THE SINCERE Co., or SINCERE & Co., MAY YING PIU, J. WANN.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1909. [584]

NOTICE.

WE the Undersigned THE SINCERE Co. Ltd., have This Day Taken Over the whole Business Concern of THE SINCERE Co. or SINCERE & Co. of 215/221, Des Vaux Road, 111, Connaught Road, 172, Queen's Road, and 123, Wellington Street, Hongkong, together with all its Existing Liabilities, Debts, Claims, Contracts, and Agreements whatsoever.

On behalf of THE SINCERE Co., Ltd., M. CHAN HARE, AU CHAN BEN.

No Document, Contract or Cheque will be recognized as valid unless Signed by the following names jointly or individually.

MA YING PIU, Manager.

M. CHAN HARE, Sub-Manager.

J. WANN, Director.

MA YING CHAN, Accountant.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1909. [585]

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Undersigned TEO YEE SWEE and the SIEW LEANG NEO (Widow) have as from and after the 1st day of SHUN TUNG the 1st day of January, 1909, entered into co-partnership to carry on and have carried on at Swatow in the Empire of China under the style of HOCK CHEANG & Co., CHOP HOCK CHEANG the business formerly carried on by the said SIEW LEANG NEO alone under the style of LIM YAM SENG & Co., CHOP HOCK CHEANG, YAM KEE as Merchant Shipping and Commission Agent.

AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that as from the said 1st day of the 1st Chinese month in the 1st year of SHUN TUNG the business so carried on as aforesaid by the said SIEW LEANG NEO alone under the style of LIM YAM SENG & Co., CHOP HOCK CHEANG, YAM KEE has ceased to be carried on.

AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the said TEO YEE SWEE is in sole management of the said new firm of HOCK CHEANG & Co., CHOP HOCK CHEANG and will under a Power of Attorney from the said SIEW LEANG NEO dated the 17 day of November, 1908, receive and pay all debts due to and by in relation to the said firm of LIM YAM SENG & Co., CHOP HOCK CHEANG, YAM KEE.

AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the said TEO YEE SWEE has from and after the said 1st day of the 1st Chinese month in the 1st year of SHUN TUNG been admitted as a partner in the business of the Coolie Hong at Swatow aforesaid carried on under the style of CHOP EE TEK HOCK LIN. Dated at Singapore this 18th day of March, 1909.

Signed by the above-named TEO YEE SWEE, at H. B. M. Consulate, Swatow 2nd April 1909.

Before me, F. F. HAUSSE, Consul. Witness to the mark of the above-named SIEW LEANG NEO.

HAROLD MILLARD, The mark of Solicitor Singapore. SIEW LEANG NEO.

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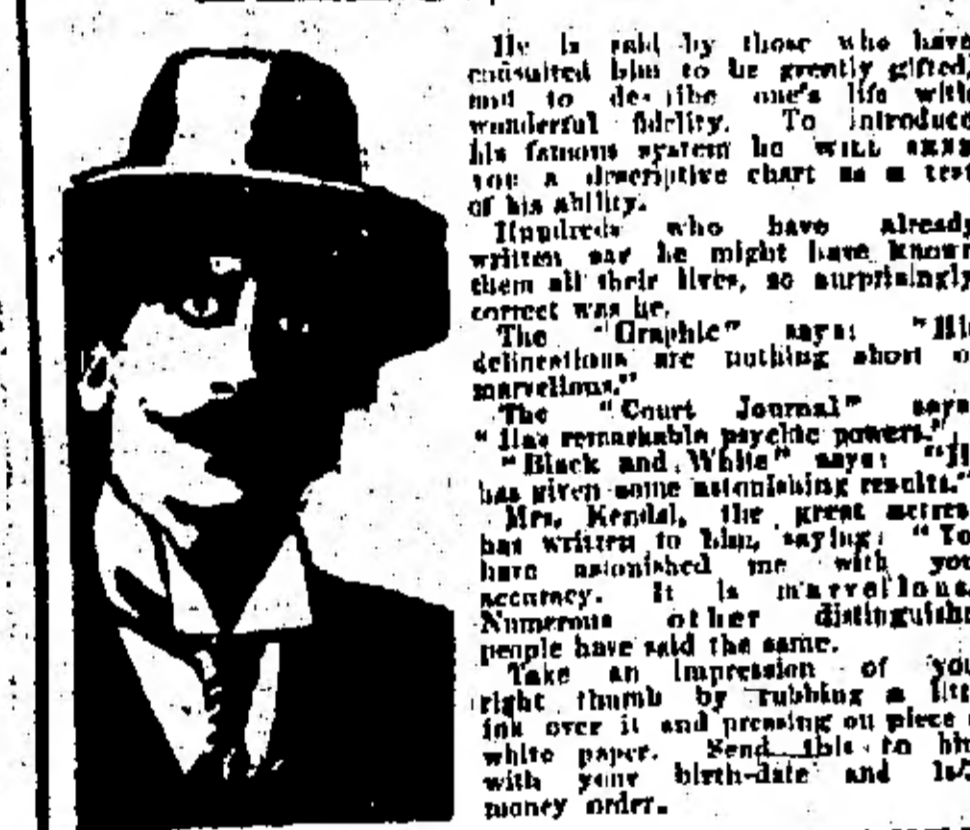


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UNTIL I TOOK CLARKE'S BLOOD MIXTURE.
Mr. F. E. Lewis, 48 Bridge Street Row, Chester
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Please accept this letter as a token of gratitude to
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HEALTH AND STRENGTH, SHATTERED BY
MALARIA AND PNEUMONIA, RESTORED BY
DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS.

Mr. Thomas Henry Cox is one of the oldest
and also one of the best respected British
residents in Burma. After 21 years service in
the British Army he entered the Burma
Government Service, filling different positions
of responsibility with credit to himself.

In January, 1907, when Mr. Cox was an
Inspector on the Burma Government Rail-
ways he said, "I have to attribute the fact
that I am hearty and well to-day, although
now 61 years of age, entirely to the strength-
restoring powers of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."
Since then he has retired from work, and



Ex-Inspector T. H. Cox
of Mandalay.

when seen a few months ago at his residence in
Fryer Street, Mandalay, he was still well, and
just as enthusiastic about the merits of Dr.
Williams' Pink Pills as ever.

The facts of Mr. Cox's remarkable restoration
to health as related by him two years ago are,
briefly, these. "After my severe illness from
Pneumonia and Malaria I was so weak that I
could hardly crawl," said he. "I was a bag of bones almost, could not
scarcely anything, used to stagger like a
drunken man when I got upon my legs, and my
wife had to take me by the hand and lead me
when I went out. I suffered greatly from
headaches and dizziness, the least exertion left
me palpitating and exhausted."

"The prospect for the future looked black in-
deed when at last a friend recommended me to
try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.
I commenced taking the Pills and almost at
once felt an improvement. I rapidly gained
strength and flesh, my appetite improved, I
no longer felt dizzy or suffered with headaches,
and I continued to progress in this way
regaining health and vigour every day, until at
last I found myself as healthy and robust as
ever I had been in my life."

The excessive weakness and other troubles with
which Mr. Cox was afflicted were due to the
impoverished state of his blood, brought about by
his severe illness. It is because they are the
greatest Blood Tonic known to Medical Science
that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills restored his
strength and built up his system in so marvellous
a manner as to enable him to resume work again
in a matter of weeks.

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People have cured thousands of cases similar to
that of Mr. Cox. They are also World-renowned
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Chills. Women suffering from the special
ailments of their sex find speedy relief in their
use. They are obtainable at most shops where
medicines are sold, also direct from the Dr.
Williams' Medicine Co., 68, Kneeland Road,
Shanghai, at \$1.50 per bottle or 6 bottles
for \$8. Post free.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth in their weekly
share report, dated April 8th, state:—"Owing
to the Easter holidays our report is issued a day
earlier than usual. During the period of quiet
review our market has ruled somewhat quiet
but steady at current rates, and a very fair
investment business has been put through. At
the close there is little or no pressure to sell and
in many cases there is considerable difficulty in
obtaining supplies at quoted rates. Sterling
exchange has remained steady during the
interval, and closes at 18 1/2d T.T. with Bar
silver at 23 1/4d. The T.T. rate on Shanghai
has receded to 74 1/2d."

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai in the
earlier part of the week fell to 99.0 at which rate
a few shares were put through, but later the
rate hardened to 99.20 with sales, the
tendency at the close being toward further
firmness. London has improved to 286.10.0.
There is no change to report in National
which are still wanted at 93 1/2d.

MARINE INSURANCE.—Small sales of Unions
at 85.00 are reported but at the close shares are
procurable at 84.50 China Traders have im-
proved to 90.00 and Yangtze to 92.17 both closing
in request. North China are wanted at
110.00 and it is probable that better could be
done with shares actually in hand to offer. Sales
of Cantons have again been effected at 157 1/2d.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong under an
unsatisfied demand have advanced to 320.00 after
sales at 315. Chinas are easier with sales and
sellers at 315.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao
have been booked at 29 1/2d and 29 1/2d closing firm
at the former rate but with some sellers at the
latter quotation. China and Manila have been
booked and are still wanted at 8. Douglas
have buyers at 35, and Indos at 86 for the
combined preferred and Deferred shares after
sales at that rate and at 86. Star Ferries can
be placed at quotations, and Shell Transports at
the improved rate of 55 1/2d.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have been
booked at 13 1/2d and 13 1/2d and close with some
shares offering at the former rate. Lanes are
neglected with sellers at 17.

MINEING.—There is no change to report in
Charbonnages which are still in request at 60.00.
Ranks have been booked at the reduced rate of
88, and are wanted.

DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.—Hong-
kong and Whampoa Docks have been sold in
considerable quantities at 88.00 and 88.10 closing
steady. Kowloon Wharves close firm at 85.10
after sales at the rate, and at 85.00 and 85.00.
Shanghai Docks, and Shanghai and Hongkong
Wharves are locally unchanged at 115. 85 and
115.10 respectively.

LANDS, HOMES & BUILDINGS.—Hongkong
Lands have ruled quiet, and sales have been
effected at 97. Kowloon Lands are wanted in
a small way at 83.00 and Humphreys Estates at
88.3. Hongkong Hotels have hardened, and
there are now buyers at 84. Shanghai Lands
in the North have improved to 115.10.

COTTON MILLS.—In the absence of telegraphic
advice we quote the Northern mills under latest
mail reports as follows:—Ewos Tls. 113.10. Later
nationals Tls. 93.2. Lau Kung & Co. Tls. 110.
and Soy Chees Tls. 410. Hongkong are still
procurable at 89.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Bill's Asbestos are wanted
at 310, and Campbell Morris's at 29. Cement
have been booked at 88.00 at dividend and
China. Earnings. at 311.3. ex dividend.
Electricity have sold and are still procurable at
21 1/2d and Ropes at 24. Ice has further re-
ceded 17 1/2d with sales and Follers. Watkins have
been done at 83, and Watsons at 99 both
closing in further request. Fowells have buyers
at 82 1/2d.

MEXICO.—Company Meetings advertised—
Union Insurance Society of Canton Ltd. and
China Traders Insurance Co. Ltd. 21st instant.
Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd. 24th instant.

ACTS LIKE A BURGLAR!
INDIGESTION
ROBS YOU OF SUPPORT.

Indigestion is like a burglar in the body. It
robs you of that which you need for your own
support and comfort. What is more, the
burglar is often practically an invited guest.
We often allow Indigestion to enter our systems
through sheer carelessness.

We eat too much or we eat too little. We eat
food that we like but which does not like us.
We eat too quickly, generally, because we have
to do so in these active, busy times. We com-
mit many errors of diet, and Mr. Indigestion
takes us off our guard, one day. Then we know
what real misery is. The food we eat does us
little or no good. Sometimes we cannot even
eat the food necessary to sustain and invigorate
us. We grow depressed, irritable, nervous,
melancholic, lethargic, world-weary. What is
to be done?

Don't try to cure Indigestion by starving
yourself, as some may advise you to do. Don't
become an ascetic, and limit yourself to any
special kind of food. Don't try the no-
breakfast or any other meal-saving remedy.
Keep your stomach tissues strong by eating
good, nourishing food, and by taking Mother
Seigel's Syrup to help you to digest it.

Indigestion—with all its accompanying
disorders—constipation, biliousness, flatulence,
heartburn, nausea, dizziness, liver complaint—
arises from a weakened stomach. The stomach,
being weak, is unable to perform its duties well,
becomes charged with poisonous acids, fluids,
and gases, and ferments. These force them-
selves into recognition, at the weakest point, by
symptoms of pain or discomfort. Mother
Seigel's Syrup cures all digestive disorders, by
removing the cause and strengthening the
stomach, itself.

A few doses of Syrup will tone up the weak
stomach, cleanse the liver and kidneys, and make
you cheery and well once more. The blood is
purified, the muscles grow firm and strong, the
nerves as true as steel, and the mind clear, alert,
cheerful.

Mother Seigel's Syrup cleanses the whole
system, and makes the human body secure
against all nervous and functional disorders.
By using it occasionally, you can eat a good
meal without nervous anxiety about the morrow.
You can enjoy life to the full, with the appetite
and digestion of a healthy young plough-boy.
That is the feeling which makes life worth
living.

"The indigestion that attacked me began with
a slight pain at my chest. Matters grew
gradually worse, until I was forced to give up
my occupation," says Miss E. Dawson, of Hill
End, Radburn, Heris, in a letter dated July
27th, 1908. "Before this happened I had tried
various remedies without success. I was
eventually persuaded to try Mother Seigel's
Syrup. A course of this medicine immediately
restored me, and by persevering with it to the
extent of three bottles I was completely cured,
and was able to resume my professional
occupation."

Mother Seigel's Syrup is now also prepared in
Tablet form, and sold as Mother Seigel's Syrup
Tablets. Price 2/9 per bottle. [74-2]

IF THERE WERE NO MIRRORS.

The following article by Marcus Woodward,
is taken from a home paper:
"If there were no looking-glasses—"
"Odds bodkins!" said I, fairly staggered by
the idea.

"Human nature," went on the Philoso-
pher, speaking with his accustomed calm, "would
be wonderfully improved."
"You might as well suppose there were no
sun," said I.

"Not at all," said the Philosopher, "for we
have always had the sun with us, but time was
when there were no looking-glasses. In those
days men grew long beards, and women wore
their hair flowing. When the looking-glass came
men shaved themselves to discover what they
were like; and then it was that women began to
worry whether their hats were straight. I
suppose there has never been so much distraction
as this question of time or so much distraction
as this question of the straight hat."

"If all looking-glasses were abolished to-
morrow, what would happen, do you suppose?"
At first the ladies would be in despair; they
would hurt everywhere to find calm, reflective
poles, and how lingering would be their looks
into our eyes! Moral improvement would be
slow, but gradually many beneficial changes
would come to pass.

"Appearance would cease to be the most
important thing in life. Elaborate hair-
dressing would go cleanly out of fashion, the
hair would be caught up in some
simple way, the charm of which the roughest
winkle would be powerless to affect; hats would
be abolished in favour of some simple headgear
that looked as well if crooked as straight, and
dresses that depended for smart appearance on
exact fit would be exchanged in favour of the
ideal costume that the custom was in the classical
era, and will be once again in the Golden Age.

ANGELS' ROBES.
"You know how the late M. Worth ever kept
in his consulting-room a kind of Persian costume,
to which he directed the attention of every
Parisian grand dame who begged him to make
the perfect dress. There was a loose lower gar-
ment, divided, reaching a little below the knees,
and there was a loose upper garment, such as
angels wear in the paintings of the idealists,
falling in the beautiful folds of the Roman toga.
Tight waists, skin-fitting sleeves, snail-like
effects for the lower half of the female form—
such fashions as these would disappear with the
full-length mirror, and only such simple robes
would be worn as would look well in spite of no
glass."

"Another result would be that women would
dress more to please men than to please
themselves. Since they could not conveniently
judge of their own appearance their vanity
would rest on the approbation of men,
little considered in these days. Few men
of nice judgment and sound sense can
really admire a fashionable woman's ideas of
beautiful clothing; the exaggerated lines of her
figure, date-trailing skirts, birds in hats, crum-
pled feet, high heels set out of place as to destroy
the exquisite natural arched of the foot, all
such modes women have adopted to please
themselves."

"Who could estimate the amount of time
spent daily by the women of the world before
their glasses? Vanity is at the best a lowly

virtue; some go so far as to say that self-
approbation is the most despicable of human
failings. I suppose few women who constantly
study themselves in their glasses could accu-
rately define their motives. Perhaps they
are partly animated by the desire to see
that they are looking just at they wish
to look; partly by the pleasure to be
drawn from the contemplation of their own
beauty; partly by the desire to look their best for
the delight of others; and not a little by a
desire to produce so charming an effect that
other women shall be lost in admiration—not
to say jealousy.

LOOKING-GLASSES EVERYWHERE.
"Or who could estimate the number of times a
woman looks into looking glasses in the course
of a day? She is no sooner out of bed than she
is before her glass, gazing anxiously at her
features, as though to judge what new havoc
time has wrought. I believe that at least two
mirrors are required for hair-dressing. Then
there must be a long glass if the final effect of
the dress is to be judged. A looking-glass so
placed that my lady may see herself as she comes
down the stairs is a thing not unknown even to
philosophy. Her breakfast-room, her study, and
drawing-room, of course, have their glasses.
She steps into her motor-car, and her eyes fly at
once to their reflection. She descends from the
motor but carries with her a glass in a hand-bag
or purse, for it would never do to be left without
one. When walking in the country, women, as
I have noticed, even carry tiny mirrors in their
gloves."

"Nearly all the dress-foibles of ladies—
"Heaven bless them!" I interjected.
"Are due," went on the Philosopher, "to
looking-glasses."

WHO DARES?
"Will any society lady deny that she spends
more time considering dress than the briefness
of life justifies? If not, looking-glasses deserve
to be treated with less respect. I think it would
be an interesting experiment if some brave man
of a large and fashionable house-party would
find a chance to thickly cover every looking-
glass in the house with paint."

"There would be few ladies at the dinner-table
that night—so much I can imagine. We should
perceive also how difficult it is for a man to brush
his hair without a glass—to say nothing of the
impossibility of tying a tie correctly."

"What I cannot imagine is the fate of the
bold spirit who painted the looking-glasses,
should his deed be brought home.
"To speak of a looking-glass is to think of a
woman. But of course, I do not mean to
suggest men are not slaves to the looking-
glass habit."

"Yet I think there are more men than
women to whom it might be an advantage if
they paid greater attention to the stories of the
glass."

"In fine," concluded the Philosopher, "I hold
that nearly all women look looking-glasses to
play too large a part in their lives; that most
men do so also; that a few men would benefit
others if they bought full length glasses; but
that humanity would gain by a wholesale look-
ing-glass destruction."
"I suppose," I remarked, "that dentists, when
stopping our upper teeth, would stand on their
heads."

YALE'S BEST-DRESSED MAN.

A Shanghai Chinaman, named Chu, has been
selected by the senior class at Yale University
as the best-dressed man in the class. He has
been elected a member of the Psi Upsilon
fraternity, a high social distinction. This
is the first time an honour of this kind has
been conferred on a Chinaman, though the
Chinese are well represented in other honours
lists as Yale. Yung-siang Tsao won the or-
atorical contest in the sophomore class this year,
delivering Lincoln's first inaugural address.
Pao-yung Jui, a senior, has taken the Pennell
prize for special excellence in mineralogy. An-
other senior, Ta-tung Chang, has won general
honours in all studies, with special mention in
electrical engineering.

As your teeth
are wanted to last
—for years to come—
begin now to use

Calvert's
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However perfect your teeth
may naturally be, they still
require, and will well repay,
the slight trouble and the short
time you should daily give to
their care.

The regular use of Calvert's
Carbolic Tooth Powder ensures
a complete antiseptic cleansing,
helps the toothbrush to do its
work easily, pleasantly, and
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your own efforts towards
keeping the teeth in the best
possible condition.

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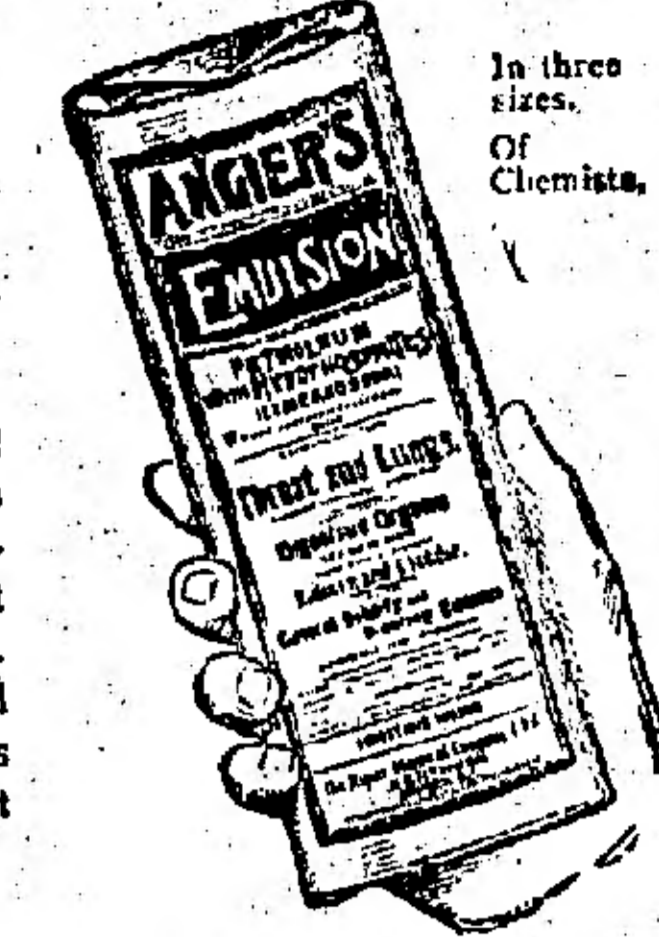
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Angier's Emulsion soothes the mucous mem-
brane of the stomach and intestines, arrests
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promotes normal healthy action of the bowels.
Doctors prescribe it for chronic indigestion,
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catarrh, etc. It has cured many obscure cases.

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LIKE TAKING CREAM."

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Dear Sirs,—I must thank you for such a
valuable remedy as your Angier's Emulsion,
which has proved very beneficial to me. I
have been a great sufferer from dyspepsia and
weakness, and have tried to take several kinds
of emulsion, but never could manage them be-
fore trying yours, which I can take without
any trouble, as it is almost like taking cream.
It has improved my appetite a great deal, and
I can digest my food better. Every dose seems
to make me stronger, and I like it so well that
I feel I cannot take enough of it.
(Signed) (Miss) E. DAVENPORT.



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Capsules to be taken as required, up to 6 per day.
(For fuller directions see wrapper round box).

ZOTOS is an infallible remedy against sea-sickness and train sickness, etc. For
travelling by sea or train in perfect comfort never be without it.
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October 20th, 1909.

ANALYTICAL REPORT.

Sample of ZOTOS Capsules received on October 15th, 1909, from ZOTOS LTD.
Marked "ZOTOS" Seal. I have made an exhaustive analysis of the above described
sample, which consisted of a box of Gelatine Capsules. I have identified the whole of the
ingredients of these Capsules, and certify that they are free from Opium, Morphia,
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They are free from any noxious ingredient, and may be taken as described in the
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The contents of these Capsules consist of compounds of high therapeutic activity, and
are of the highest possible degree of purity.

(SIGNED) E. J. PARRY.

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Hongkong, 3rd April, 1902.

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THE SEEKER AFTER HEALTH

is always glad to hear of a medicine that has been frequently tried in
complaints similar to those from which he may be suffering, and that has
proved uniformly successful. Such a remedy is BEECHAM'S PILLS. For
half a century they have been doing incalculable good, and all who suffer
from troubles traceable to disorders of the Stomach, Liver, Bowels, or Kidneys

SHOULD TAKE

these pills. They are a skilful combination of valuable vegetable extracts in
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digestion and active liver, steady nerves, pure blood, buoyant and good spirits,
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[BY SPENCER BAGEHOT.]

When Parliament re-assembles there will certainly be some debate on the recent revolution in shipping, effected by the alteration of the Plimsoll mark. English shipping is now allowed to load up to the Continental standard, and this means an addition of 25 per cent. to existing tonnage. This change was not fully grasped by the public, and I know of several members of Parliament who intended to raise the subject during this year.

LAST YEAR THE WORST FOR SHIPOWNERS. Last year, as my readers know, was by far the worst that shipowners have known. First of all, trade was bad the world over; secondly, there was more tonnage competing for every cargo, with freights cut to losing point; for prices were quoted that only involved less expense than would the laying up of vessels.

For the ordinary trader, 1908 was a happy year. He could pick and choose his ships and obtain freights as practically his own price. The Argentine ports were crisscrossed with shipping anxious to get the corn, maize, and linseed harvests. Vessels were bidding against one another like Billingsgate fishbrokers, and goods were carried at phenomenally low rates. In the Mediterranean every port held ships waiting seaward for something to turn up.

NEW TONNAGE FLOODING THE MARKET. Everyone remembers the shipping enthusiasm of 1905, when orders were given wholesale for new boats. Week by week last year these vessels came upon the market only to find there was no work for them. If they secured cargoes it was only at unremunerative figures and at the cost of older vessels laying up. At the end of 1908 our leading ports were crowded with idle shipping, and I am told that there was not an unoccupied mooring berth on the Tyne, while many vessels were laid up abroad because their owners found it cheaper than bringing them home. Had it not been for heavy coal exports, the position would have been worse; but such as it was shipowners were appalled at the frightful experience, and by the outlook for 1909.

A NEW "TRUST" FORMING. The great shipowners of the North of England are preparing a great combination, and I fear it will prove another example of the folly of man in believing that the eternal laws of nature can be defied. The cardinal condition of this combine is to lay up every vessel included in the agreement for two months in each year. "Thus," it is claimed, the world's tonnage will be reduced by one-sixth, and this is, as far as England is concerned, about equal to the tonnage now lying idle. Of course, the foreigner must join, and I hear that the leading shipowners abroad are anxious to join the ring. Mr. Leonard Macarthy, the head of the Chapman Steamship Company, is the moving spirit of this plan of reduction, and he enjoys a fine reputation for energy, and skill in making ships pay even in bad times.

At the preliminary meeting held in Newcastle, Sir Walter Runciman, who controls a great fleet of steamers, was in the chair, and his patronage of the scheme is a guarantee that things are really bad, and that desperate remedies are needed.

THE SCHEME DOOMED ALREADY. How can such heroic plans succeed? The seven seas are so vast, and the interests so multifarious that success is impossible. Why, it will be the biggest "trust" in the world, and the Atlantic combine is a rash thing compared to it. The vessels in the "Trust" would be perpetually fighting against privateers quoting freights a shade lower, and in a short time the combine would fall to pieces from competition alone. Will the bulk of English owners join? I don't think they will, even if only a few school out, their opposition would destroy any hope of monopoly, and traders would, of course, favour the "blockades" in order to break down "Trust" prices.

The foreigner will be the difficulty. According to "Lloyd's Register Book" the world's tonnage of steamers and sailing vessels combined is 40,922,842, of which the United Kingdom owns 13,318,351, i.e., less than half. The situation presents, too many temptations to the man who is not in the ring and who sees a prospect of securing off large slices of his competitors' trade. But the fatal raising of the Plimsoll mark by adding 25 per cent. to existing tonnage will give rivals greater anxiety and greater inducement to keep outside the ring. If 1908 was bad, with existing tonnage, what will it be now that the figure is so enormously increased?

WHAT ARE THE PRESENT PROSPECTS?

There is some hope. The signs of general trade revival are visible. Mr. Churchill can see them. Nobody is building ships now; and although 1,800,000 tons were built during 1908 the loss was 800,000 tons, so that the net increase was a mere 100,000 tons. Shipbuilders, and all the trade dependent upon them, engineers, iron and steel makers, carpenters, painters, and others, will have a bad time; but shipowners will be gaining ground. The world's largest are bound to increase, mining developments, trade increases, and universal exploitation are certain to go ahead more rapidly each year, and shipping must gain by such movements.

Half the shipping of the world is in English hands, and if the present condition of affairs is bitterly felt in England, it is because under a system of Free Trade we have become the carriers of the world. The shipbuilding industry is a rough index of the state of commerce in each country, and if these be considered we shall find that in spite of tariffs and bounties other countries have felt the depression as acutely as ourselves.

FOREIGN SHIPBUILDING. Next to ourselves America holds the highest place as shipbuilders, but the United States, with an output of 304,000 tons, launched less by 170,000 tons than in 1907. Germany, whose vessels are bounty-fed, had an output of 204,000 tons. The case of Germany is, indeed, very well worthy of study. In 1906, at the height of the shipbuilding boom, 318,000 tons went afloat from its yards. Last year the total was only 207,000 tons, and 19,000 tons were bought from English builders. In 1906 the amount thus acquired on German account was 104,000 tons, and in 1907, 44,780 tons. Germany has, in fact, been our best customer for new ships during these three years, although the demand from Norway has been almost as great and more steady.

France, after a long depression in shipbuilding, is showing some signs of improvement. Japan recorded some decrease last year; Holland and Norway also had less activity, but neither of the last-named suffered in anything like the same proportion as the United States or Germany.

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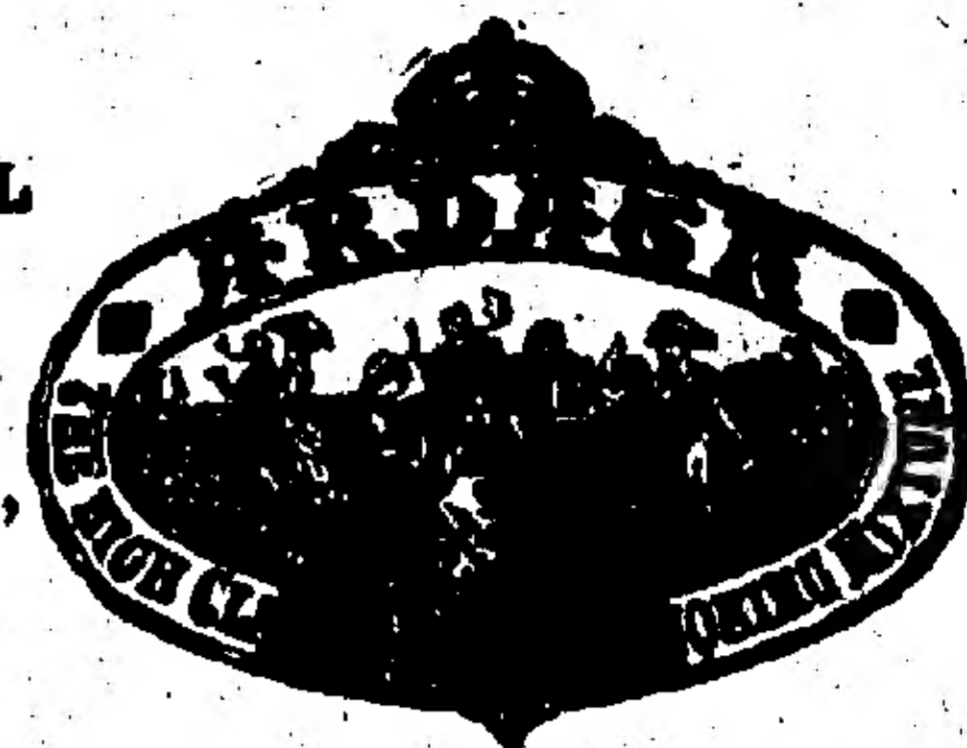
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Hongkong, 6th April, 1900. [12]

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Hongkong, 16th July, 1900. [25]

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EVAN ORMISTON, Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd April 1900. [23]

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Hongkong, 8th April, 1900. [20]

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Hongkong, 12th September, 1900. [455]

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C. WOLDRINGH, Manager.

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Hongkong, 8th November, 1900. [25]

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D. TOHDOW, Manager.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1900. [1518]

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J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1900. [20]

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J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1900. [21]

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Hongkong, 8th April, 1900. [229]

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